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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 in the above-captioned application.

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\_\_\_ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

\_\_\_ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

☒ A Request for Extension of Time.

\_\_\_ No Additional Fee.

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Multiple Dependent Claims Presented			+145=	\$	+290=	\$0.00
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